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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited in the International Search Report for International Application PCT/EP2005/051068 of which the above-referenced application is a National Stage:

- 1) GB 2 280 111 A, January 25, 1995;
- 2) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/065027 A1 (BROCK et al.),
April 3, 2003;
- 3) U.S. Patent No. 3,509,253 (BABBIN), April 28, 1970;
- 4) DE 198 57 235 A1, June 15, 2000, accompanied by an English-language
abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet);
- 5) DE 195 19 404 A1, November 28, 1996, accompanied by an English-
language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet);

- 6) GB 1 541 396 A, February 28, 1979;

Furthermore, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited in the German Search Report for German Application DE 10 2004 020 711.9 of which the above-referenced application claims priority:

- 7) DE 44 23 450 C2, January 11, 1996, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 8) DE 199 19 481 A1, November 2, 2000; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 9) U.S. Patent No. 6,911,210 B1 (BORMANN et al.), June 28, 2005; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (8);
- 10) DE 198 44 261 A1, March 30, 2000, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 11) DE 198 42 787 A1, March 23, 2000; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 12) U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0175221 A1 (GERS-BARLAG et al.), September 18, 2003; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (11);

- 13) U.S. Patent No. 6,585,983 (GERS-BARLAG et al.), July 1, 2003 B1;
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- 14) DE 196 08 775 A1, September 11, 1997; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 15) U.S. Patent No. 6,156,296 (RIEDEL et al.), December 5, 2000; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (14);
- 16) DE 196 02 111 A1, July 24, 1997, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 17) DE 101 07 628 A1, August 22, 2002, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 18) DE 695 23 805 T2, October 11, 1995; this document is categorized in the German Search Report as an A document, i.e., as defining the general state of the art and illustrating the technological background;
- 19) U.S. Patent No. 5,652,266 (BOBIER-RIVAL et al.), July 29, 1997;
Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (18);
- 20) EP 0 775 486 A1, May 28, 1997, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); this document is categorized in

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Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents:

- 21) WO 98/32418, July 30, 1998; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 2, line 8, of the present application;
- 22) U.S. Patent No. 5,925,388 (MOINEAU et al.), July 20, 1999; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (21);
- 23) WO 92/05767, April 16, 1992; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 2, line 9, of the present application;
- 24) U.S. Patent No. 5,587,153 (ANGELONE, JR. et al.), December 24, 1996; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (23);
- 25) U.S. Patent No. 5,863,525 (ANGELONE, JR. et al.), January 26, 1999; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (23);
- 26) WO 98/15255, April 16, 1998; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 2, line 22, of the present application;
- 27) U.S. Patent No. 6,468,551 B1 (DIEC et al.), October 22, 2002; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (26);
- 28) DE 37 40 186 A1, January 5, 1989; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 26, of the present application;
- 29) U.S. Patent No. 4,921,694 (HOPPE et al.), May 1, 1990; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (28);

- 30) DE 39 38 140 A1, August 8, 1991; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 27, of the present application;
- 31) U.S. Patent No. 5,318,778 (SCHMUCKER et al.), June 7, 1994; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (30);
- 32) DE 42 04 321 A1, August 19, 1993, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 27, of the present application;
- 33) DE 42 29 707 A1, March 10, 1994; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 27, of the present application;
- 34) AU-B-49509/93, March 29, 1994; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (33);
- 35) DE 42 29 737 A1, March 10, 1994, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 27, of the present application;
- 36) DE 42 37 081 A1, May 5, 1994; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 27, of the present application;
- 37) U.S. Patent No. 5,648,067 (DILLENBURG et al.), July 15, 1997; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (36);
- 38) DE 43 09 372 A1, September 29, 1994; Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 27, of the present application;
- 39) U.S. Patent No. 5,718,888 (KLIER et al.), February 17, 1998; Applicants note that this document is a family member of document (38);

40) DE 43 24 219 A1, January 26, 1995, accompanied by an English-language abstract of family member EP 0 636 359 A1 (provided by esp@cenet); Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 28, of the present application;

41) DE 40 09 347 A1, September 26, 1991, accompanied by an English-language abstract thereof (provided by esp@cenet); Applicants note that this document is cited and discussed at page 7, line 18, of the present application.

Applicants further direct the Examiner's attention to the following co-pending and co-assigned applications:

42) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/574,219 entitled "AQUEOUS ANTI-PERSPIRATION FORMULATION";

43) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/574,230 entitled "TRANSPARENT COSMETIC MICROEMULSION-BASED FORMULATION CONTAINING AN ALPHA-HYDROXYCARBOXYLIC ACID";

44) U.S. Patent Application No. 11/586,585 entitled "OPTICALLY APPEALING COSMETIC OR DERMATOLOGICAL PREPARATION".

Copies of the above-listed documents (with the exception of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications) and the International and German Search Reports for International Application PCT/EP2005/051068 (in English and German) and German Application DE 10 2004 020 711.9, respectively, are enclosed together with a completed copy of the PTO-1449 Form listing these documents.

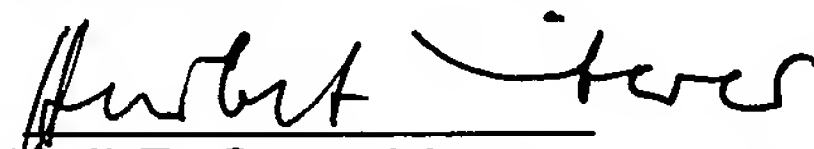
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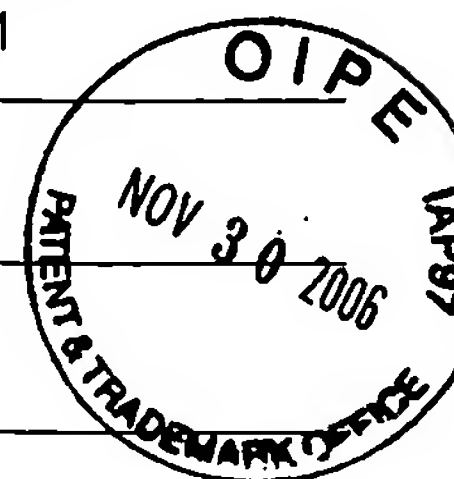
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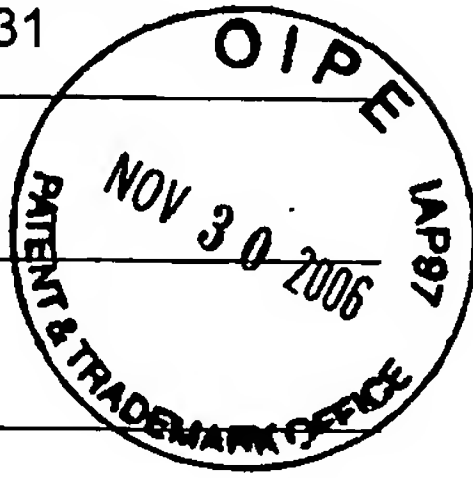
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